



KENTUCKY

Employee Connection

News for the state government workforce

August 2013

Kentucky Employees Charitable Campaign Together We Care...

1993-2013 - 20 Years of KECC!



The KECC is underway and together we are celebrating 20 years of caring for our fellow Kentuckians! In the coming weeks, watch for your personalized pledge card, as well as more information on KECC meetings and fun special events! Make a pledge and make a difference!

Have questions about the campaign or how donations go to work right in your area? Visit KECC.org today or call 502-589-2296 to learn more.

Upcoming Events

Schedule a 'Stay'cation

The Kentucky Department of Travel and Tourism would like to remind everyone that some of the best festivals and events coming up in the next several months are in your own back yard. You can enjoy music, food, crafts and the great outdoors anywhere in the state. For a listing of events and ideas, go to

www.kentuckytourism.com
and join us on [Facebook](#).

Important Pay Information



Starting Aug. 15, 2013, employees who utilize direct deposit will no longer receive a paper salary statement (check stub). Employees can access [KHRIS ESS](#) to view their electronic salary statement. [Read more.](#)

Shape up Your Retirement Plan

Deferred Compensation is offering Expos at a location near you. Two hours of paid time off, plus reasonable travel time, is available for state employees to attend one Expo. [Read more.](#)

Governor's Ambassador Awards Now Accepting Nominations through Aug 31



Employees and citizens may nominate state employees who have made significant contributions to their workplace and/or their community. [Read more.](#)

Kentucky Museums Offer Free Admission to Military Personnel and Families

More than 20 Kentucky museums are opening their doors free of charge to active duty military personnel and their family members as participants of the [Blue Star Museums](#) initiative. [Read more.](#)

Gov. Beshear to Chair Southern Regional Education Board



Signaling his commitment to continuing improvements in education for Kentucky and the region, Governor Steve Beshear accepted chairmanship of the Southern Regional Education Board (SREB). He was elected to lead the 80-member board of governors, legislators and state education leaders as they explore ways to advance the educational performance of students at every level. [Read more.](#)

New Classes at GSC

The Governmental Services Center (GSC) has two new class offerings for state employees:

- Employee Discipline &

More Headlines

KHESLC Lowers Interest Rates on College Loans

Kentucky students and parents who need help paying for college can now get lower interest rates on Advantage Education Loans from the Kentucky Higher Education Student Loan Corporation (KHESLC). [Read more.](#)

CHFS Community Garden Flourishes

The Cabinet for Health and Family Services community garden is flourishing. Cabinet employees can grow their own food, engage in physical activity and learn more about the art of gardening. [Read more.](#)

Be a Wellness Champ in Your Agency

We are looking for enthusiastic HumanaVitality® members who want to share their excitement for improving their health with your coworkers. [Read more.](#)

Check out What Your Fellow Employees Are Doing to Get Recognized...

Find out about Safety Awards. Read about Cheri Kraus, Charlie Baglan and Jen Spangler Williamson. [Read more.](#)

Don't Miss Out on These Employee Discounts

The Personnel Cabinet provides links to sites that offer discounts to state employees (as an informational service). [View discounts.](#)

Documentation

- GSC Customer Service Online

Check out

<http://gsc.personnel.ky.gov> for a complete listing of all upcoming classes, availability, description and locator numbers for easy sign up. [Read more.](#)

'Off the Shelf' Training

The State Library has created a new training series entitled "Off the Shelf." This free, online series of classes is designed to introduce the library's resources in key employee and management topics to state government employees. The next scheduled session is "Off the Shelf: Leadership Resources" on Wed., Sept. 18, 10 a.m. - 11 a.m. EDT. To register, visit the [training events calendar.](#)

Around the Commonwealth

Find more fun things to do in August. [Read more.](#)

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